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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Directors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

2-P March 12, 2019

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CELIA ZAVALA
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**ALLOCATE EXCESS FUNDS AVAILABLE TO THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AND
AUTHORIZE AWARD AND ADMINISTRATION OF A GRANT TO THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
CONSERVATION CORPS FOR THE
ALHAMBRA TREE PLANTING PROJECT
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will allocate an amount not to exceed \$188,000 in Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District, pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe, Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996, for a tree planting grant to the San Gabriel Valley Conservation Corps for the Alhambra Tree Planting Project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find the proposed Alhambra Tree Planting Project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons reflected in the record of the project.
2. Allocate an amount not to exceed \$188,000 in Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District, pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996, for a grant to the San Gabriel Valley Conservation Corps for the Alhambra Tree Planting Project.
3. Authorize the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, in his capacity as Director of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, to award a grant when applicable conditions have been met, and to administer the grant as of the date of award and pursuant to guidelines in the Procedural Guide for Specified, Per Parcel, and Excess Funds Projects; otherwise, funds shall remain in the Excess Funds account.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will allocate an amount not to exceed \$188,000 in Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District, pursuant to the Los Angeles Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (1996 Proposition), for a grant to the San Gabriel Valley Conservation Corps (SGVCC) for the Alhambra Tree Planting Project (Project).

The proposed Project involves site preparation and the purchase, installation, and establishment of trees on the Alhambra Unified School District campuses and other locations in the City of Alhambra. The total estimated Project cost is \$188,000, which will be fully funded by the recommended Excess Funds.

It is also recommended that the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation (Director), or his designee, in his capacity as Director of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (RPOSD), be authorized to award the grant when applicable conditions have been met. Applicable conditions include grantee qualifications, consistency between the project and requirements of the 1996 Proposition, as well as grantee agreement with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements for the projects. It is further recommended that the Director be authorized to administer the grant under procedures previously approved by the Board.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommendations broadly further the Board-approved County Strategic Plan Goals to Foster Vibrant and Resilient Communities, Supporting the Wellness of our Communities (Goal II, Strategy 2), Realize Tomorrow's Government of Today, Pursuing Operational Effectiveness, Fiscal Responsibility and Accountability (Goal III, Strategy 3) by allocating and awarding grant funds for parks and recreation-related acquisition and capital outlay projects.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Sufficient appropriation for the grants in an amount not to exceed \$188,000 is budgeted in RPOSD's Excess Project Funds, HD6.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The 1996 Proposition requires that agencies to which funds were allocated under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996 encumber all such funds prior to receiving grants of Excess Funds. SGVCC meets this requirement.

The 1996 Proposition provides a method for determining, each fiscal year, the amount of funds available in the following fiscal year to fund capital improvements projects in addition to the amounts specifically identified for projects in the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996. The recommended Excess Funds grant will be funded from the Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District.

The Board may establish additional conditions on grants of Excess Funds. The Director or his designee would be authorized to award a grant when all applicable conditions have been met. Any funds allocated by the Board, but not encumbered by award of a grant contract in the same fiscal year, shall be available for allocation by the Board in the following fiscal year.

On June 2, 2009, the Board approved the Procedural Guide to govern the administration of RPOSD

grants. The Procedural Guide will appropriately govern the administration of the recommended grant as well.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

All public agency projects funded by RPOSD are required to comply with CEQA as a condition of the grant. The lead agency is responsible for preparing the appropriate environmental documentation for the project. RPOSD is the lead agency for the proposed Project.

The recommendations to allocate and award grant funds are not subject to CEQA in that the actions do not meet the definition of a project according to Section 15378 (b)(2) of the State CEQA Guidelines, because the actions are administrative activities of government grants.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

A Project Agreement will be executed and administered under authority delegated to the Director and pursuant to the Procedural Guide approved by the Board in 2009 only if all applicable conditions of the grant have been met. The Project Agreement will be approved as to form by County Counsel.

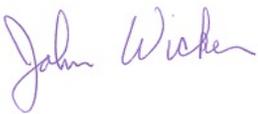
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended actions will have no impact on any other projects funded by RPOSD. The recommended project will promote healthy activities in public spaces in the Fifth Supervisorial District.

CONCLUSION

Please instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to return one adopted copy of this action to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Programs Division, and to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted,



JOHN WICKER
Director

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c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors